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## THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY announces an

## EXTENSION OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

## **ENGINEERING EVALUATION/COST ANALYSIS**

at the

## MASTER METALS SUPERFUND SITE, CLEVELAND, OHIO

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) is extending the public comment period on the proposed cleanup plan for addressing lead-contaminated soils at the Master Metals, Inc. site in Cleveland, Ohio. The U.S. EPA recently completed its review of an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) that evaluated four alternatives:

- 1. No Action
- Off-site excavation, on-site consolidation, on-site cover (using a geosynthetic berrier, day and soil), and operation and maintenance.
- Off-site excavation, on-site consolidation, on-site capping (using a geosynthetic barrier and asphalt), and operation and maintenance.
- Off-site excavation, treatment, off-site disposal, on-site capping, and operation and maintenance.

U.S. EPA recommends Alternative 2 which minimizes the risk of exposure of lead-contaminated soils to the public and surrounding environment. Compared to Alternatives 3 and 4, Alternative 2 is the least costly option.

U.S. EPA has extended the public comment period through April 30, 1999. Written comments, which must be postmarked no later than April 30, 1999, should be mailed, faxed or E-mailed to Bri Bill at the address below.

Copies of the EE/CA and other U.S. EPA documents, including a transcript of the March 18, 1999 public meeting, are available for review at:

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